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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SHOWA CORPORATION ) Examiner: BURCH  
Serial Number: 10/736150 ) Art Unit: 3683  
Filed: 12/15/2003 )  
For: HYDRAULIC SHOCK ABSORBING APPARATUS )  
OF VEHICLE )  
Docket Number: 13712 )

**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

14 February 2006

Sir:

This communication is responsive to your Office Action dated 14 November 2005, having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire 14 February 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed on 14 February 2006.

Please amend the application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as shown in the section entitled Claim Amendments.